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SUBJ: SWISS IMPORT QUOTA FOR BEEF

REF: STATE 2314

1. THE SWISS ARE FULLY AWARE OF OUR VIEW THAT THERE IS NO LINKAGE BETWEEN COUNTERVAILING DUTY CASE ON CHEESE AND THE BEEF QUOTA. HOWEVER, AS FAR AS THEY ARE CONCERNED THAT LINKAGE EXISTS WHERE WE ACCEPT IT OR NOT. WE REITERATED OUR RESPECTIVE POSITIONS MOST RECENTLY ON JAN 6, WHEN THE DIVISION OF COMMERCE INFORMED AGATT THAT IT HAD AUTHORIZED THE DIV OF AGRICULTURE TO OPEN THE 1977 300 TON QUOTA ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

2. WE HAVE MADE THE ARGUMENTS IN PARAS 1 AND 2 REFTL ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.

3. THE SWISS RESPONSE TO THE ARGUMENTS IN PARA 3 IS THAT REGARDLESS OF WHETHER PRESSURE OF LACK OF PRESSURE ON THEIR MARKET IS RELATED TO THE FACT THAT THE US IS A LARGE MARKET FOR IMPORTED BEEF, IN REDUCING THE SIZE OF THAT MARKET, AS THE US DID RECENTLY, IT ACTED IN RESPONSE TO MUCH THE SAME POLITICAL PRESSURES WHICH HAVE DETERMINED UNCLASSIFIED

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THE SWISS RESPONSE TO OUR REQUESTS FOR AN INCREASE IN OUR QUOTA.

4. THE PURPOSE OF TOFAS 142 WAS TO INDICATE THAT NEITHER THE TRADE NOR WE HAVE BEEN ABLE, ON THE BASIS OF THE PRESENT STATE OF THE MARKET OR THE ARGUMENTATION WE OR WASHINGTON AGENCIES HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE

THUS FAR, INCLUDING THAT SET FORTH REFTEL, TO
OBTAIN AN INCREASE IN THE QUOTA. UNLESS THERE IS A
CHANGE IN MARKET CONDITIONS HERE SUCH THAT THE SWISS
WILL CONSIDER IT IN THEIR INTEREST TO INCREASE THE
QUOTA, THEY WILL HOLD TO THEIR VIEW THAT THE EXISTING
QUOTA IS AS MUCH AS THEY CAN OFFER AND PROVIDES AMPLE
EVIDENCE OF THEIR GOOD WILL, INASMUCH AS THERE ARE STRONG
PRESSURES TO REDUCE IT OR ELIMINATE IT ENTIRELY.

5. WE WILL NONETHELESS CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO OBTAIN
AN INCREASE.

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